GREEN SPRINGS MURDER MAY BE CLEARED UP

Detectives Are Said to Have Reached Conclusion as to Who Killed Victor IS. Hall.

WIDOW TELLS STORY ON STAND

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murder of Hall are events crowden the past year.

The Hall store and the Hall residence were parts of one building. The store was what night be called the front end of an L, while the other part farther from the street was occupied as a residence. Hall and his wife slept in a room in the rear of the store, while the rooms upstairs were occupied by Mrs. Hall's two daughters—one hall's two daughters—one while the rooms upstairs were occupied by Mrs. Hall's two daughters—one mearly grown, and two young women who boarded with Hall and his wife. The six made up the entire family. Mrs. Hall's short story of the murder of her husband disclosed few illuminating facts. She said that she and her husband were awakened about 4 o'clock in the morning, three bours after the burning of the Dunkum store, by a noise either in front of the store or within the store. He hastily lighted a lamp and went into the store. She heard him say in a despairing way, "God have mercy on me!" Then a pistel short rang out, and she hurried into the store, only to find her husband stretched on the floor with a builtet through his brain. She says she found him lying about fifteen feet from the front door, which he had left unlocked when he returned from the fire, with the key in the lock inside. The wound, as already described, ranged from the back of the head through the brain, lodging underneath the skin near the left eye.

The coroner's jury ended its investi-sations with a verdict that Hall had ome to his death at the hands of a gations with a verdict that Hall had come to his death at the hands of a person or persons unknown to the jury. In the evidence before the jury was the fact that the body was not found at the point indicated by Mrs. Hall, but just inside the store from his and his wife's bedroom. There was no blood at this point. This was a puzzling circumstance to the jury, inasmuch as the wound was of a nature to bleed freely. A pistol was found on a bureau in the hall bedroom with one chamber empty, except for the shell, and the others loaded. The jury did not believe that this pistol had been used.

There is intense curiosity as to what the detectives will report; whether they will find any connection between the burning of the Dunkum store and the murder of Hall; whether, in case they do, the same hand uned the torch and it the pistol, and what was the motive of

the pistol, and what was the motive for each crime and what linked the crimes together?

NEWS OF ASHLAND

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] hland, Va., April 28. -George Irvin. ditor of the North American Student, editor of the North American Student, is giving a series of talks to the students at Rendolph-Macon College. Mr. Irvin is an attractive speaker, and the students are greatly interested.

Dr. Sam C. Hatcher has returned from the State Farm, where he conducted services. ducted services.

J. Winfree Smith, of South Hill, spent the week-end with Mr. Smith, who is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Watkins Lee. Dr. J. Thomson Booth spent Funday

ere with friends.

The Woman's Club met this afternoon, and the following program was enjoyed: An excellent paper on "Conservation of Our National Resources" was read by Mrs. A. C. Wightman, Mrs. R. B. Smithey, an article by Hon. R. B. Smithey, an article by Hon.
Gifford Pinchot, and Mrs. James Hoofnagle led the discussion on "Current
Events." This is the last meeting of
the season. On next Tuesday the club
will entertain the members of the Young Woman's Literary Club and the Junior Literary Club.

Miss Lucile Nichols, of South Rich-

Miss Lucile Nichols, of South Richmond, is spending this week with Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer.

Miss Mary French Day, of Norfolk, was the guest this week of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Day.

Miss Rice, of Fredericksburg, is visiting Miss Ruth Blakey.

Mrs. C. M. Sarver, who spent the winter here with her son, a student at Randolph-Macon College, left Saturday for Morrisville, where her husband, Rev., Mr. Sarver, has charge of the Methedist Church.

JUDGE THOMAS G. JONES IS DEAD AT HIS HOME

Former Governor of Alabama and Long Prominent in Public Life of His State.

Montgomery, Ala., April 28.-Thomas G. Jones, judge of the Middle Alabama
District, former Governor of the State,
and one of the most prominent figures
in Alabama for half a century, died
this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the
family residence here. Judge Jones
was born in Macon, Ga., in November,
1844, and with the exception of the
periods at the Virginia Military Institute and with Generals Lee and Gordon
during the four years of the Civil War,
he spent his entire life in this State.
Following the war, Judge Jones was
a leader in retoring white supremacy in
Alabama, and edited the Daily Pleayune, a powerful influence during the
days of reconstruction. In a Memorial
Day address in this city in 1874, he
sprang into mational prominence by
using the sentence:
"We can bequeath to our children
nobler legacies than discord and hate."
He was elected Governor in 1820, and
in 1902, upon the death of Judge John
Bruce, he was appointed Federal judge
by President Roosevelt. G. Jones, judge of the Middle Alabama

REPLIES TO ROOSEVELT

Johnson Plays Assistant Secretary for Long Distance Attack.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, April 28.—Representative Johnson, of Washington, protesting against an attack on him for voting for free tells made by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt, declared in the House yesterday that it was not consistent with dignity that an officer of the govern-

NEWSOF SOUTH RICHMOND

FIX SCHOOL LEVY

Chesterfield Supervisors Raise Annual Tax in Three Districts.

In response to a request from the County School Board, the Chesterfield Board of Supervisors has increased the school levy in three districts of the county. The tax was raised 5 per cent in Bermuda and Dale Districts, and 10 per cent in Clover Hill District. The lovy remains the same in Manchester, Midlothian and Matoaca Districts.

ment should run away from Washington to make his assaults on Congressmen.

"I do not criticize Mr. Roosevelt for
making his charge against me that
I voted for free tolls, and against the
President's recommendation to repeal
the law, because of partisan reasons.
I am a Republican, but I tell Mr.
Roosevelt the people of Washington
object to and protest against repeal
of the toll sexemption law for American coastwise ships at the demand of
England, or of any one else.
"I criticize Mr. Roosevelt," said Mr.
Johnson, "for waiting until he was
3,990 miles away from Washington, and
addressing a Democratic meeting to
make the criticism against me, that I
had voted as a partisan. He was
speaking against me in my own district. I had no opportunity to respond

SECOND DAY'S SESSION OF PRESBYTERY IS BUSY

dresses by Richmond Ministers.

Special Prayers Asked.

[Epecial to The Times-Dispatch]

Petersburg, Va., April 38.—The second day's sersion of East Hanover Presbytery was a very busy one for the members of that hody. Rev. F. M. Allen of Hebren, Dinwiddle County, conducted the opening services. The service of the county of the presbytery by letter from other Presbytery to the Presbytery Dr. McCluer, who has for several years been supplying the church at Bon Air, has been called to become the paster of that clurch. A committee, consisting of Rev. Russell Cecil, D. D., Rev. J. Y. Fair, D. D., and B. W. Wherry, was appointed to install him on the second Sunday in May.

The other minister received was Rev. J. A. Kohout from the Presbytery of Lehigh, in Pennsylvania. He is a native Bohemian and is preaching to two congregations of Bohemians, one near Seven Pines, in Henrico County, and the other in Prince George County. Special Prayers Asked.

Rev. Ezeklel Torres, who is a missionary in Cuba, was dismissed to a presbytery to organized in that Island.

Rev. R. C. Glimore, of Fredericksburg, was appointed as the representative of this presbytery on the committee to have control of the home and school at Fredericksburg when this institution shall have been turned over to the Synod of Virginia.

Rev. J. E. Rocker addressed the presbytery on the home mission work of the Synod of Virginia, of which he is superintendent.

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The night session was devoted to the cause of ministerial education and relief. The report on this subject was presented by Rev. F. T. McFaden, D. D., and Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, D. D. in connection with this report an address was made by Rev. T. H. Ribe, D. D., of Union Theological Seminary, in Elchmond, on "The Need of Young Men for the Ministry."

T. H. Ribe, D. D., of Richmond, spoke on The One as a Factor in Supplying This Need. Dr. Russell Ceell spoke on "The Christian School and College as a Factor in Supplying the Needs of the Ministry."

Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, D. D., spoke on "The Christian School and College as a Factor in Supplying the Needs of the Ministry."

Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, D. D., spoke on "The Support of Aged and Infirm Ministers."

Rev. C. R. Stribling asked the prayers of the preshytery and congregation for two special objects. He ead that news had just come of a fearful explosion in a cost mine at Echols, W. Va., by which 513 men had been entombed. He asked that prayer be offered in their behalf that they might be saved. He said also that at Washington and Lee University, in Lexington, special evangeistic services are being held this week under the leadership of John R. Mott, and Mr. Stribling asked that prayer be offered for God's blessing upon these services. This prayer for these objects was offered by Rev. Russell Ceeth, D. D.

During the afternoon the members of the presbytery were taken on a visit to old Humiford Church and cemetery, and to the battlefield of the Crater.

MAY 21 DATE SELECTED FOR DECORATION DAY

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Fredericksburg, Va., April 28.—The Ladies' Memorial Association, of this city, has decided upon Thursday, May 21, as annual Confederate Decoration Day. The exercises will be held at the monument in the Confederate Cemetery. After a parade from the centre of the city, to be participated in by many civic organizations, military, school children and citizens, a program of music and other features will be carried out at the cemetery. Miss Etta Barney has been elected secretary of the association, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her mother, the late Mrs. Nannie S. Barney. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

AMUSEMENTS

Academy-"Adele," matince and night.

Bijou-Grayce Scott Company, in "Thelma."
Lyric-Keith Vaudeville, matince and night.

Calendal-Vaudeville, and night.

Colonial-Vaudeville and pictures.

ings and outpourings, Marie Corelli descriptions given of the wild and At the Bijou this week, Grayce Scott

and her company present a dramatization of Miss Corell's famous bestseller, which follows closely the romantic tale unfolded in the novel, while
the settings provided by Mr. Berthelet
and Mr. Sackerman go far toward creating the atmosphere of the land of
flords, falls and the midnight sun.
It will doubtless be remembered that
Thelma, a daughter of Norse seakings, reared in simplicity and comparative solitude, yet by nature and
heredity regal in bearing and in
character, is won by an English baronet, who weds her and takes her home
to England with him. She wins the
love and admiration of all who meet
her, with the exception of the very few
who are jealous or envious of her, but
those few whisper poisoned words into her trusting ears, and for a tine
things look pretty black for the sunnyhaired Thelma.

But, since true romance is of the
very essence of the novel and the play,
it all turns out well in the end—the
good are made happy and the wicked
are discomfited.

Miss Scott is disqualified by nature
from presenting the statuesque appearance for which Thelma was noted,
but she brings to the part a winning
appeal and winsome girlishness that
was probably lacking in Thelma herself, for it is difficult to imagine a big,
blonde Norwegian firl possessed of
the piquante charm that Miss Scott
irradiates.

Mr. Warner varies the monotony of
his performance in the part of the
baronet by combining a pair of sporting knickerbockers with buttoned
patent leather shoes—for outdoor wear
in Norway! But, it is pleasant to
add, he gets his accustomed record. and her company present a dramatiza-

patent leather shoes—for outdoor wear in Norway! But, it is pleasant to add, he gets his accustomed round of applaues upon his every entrance, so why worry about sartorial incongruities?

Mr. Bassett plays a light juvenile acceptably; Mr. Clark is excellent as Olaf Guldmar; Miss Ball is amusing as the maid; Miss Warren is competent as Lovisa, and Mr. Lynch is effective in the bit of the servant.

D. G.

"Adele" Again To-Day—Then "Kismet."

With performances this afternoon and to-night, the engagement of "Adele." the most delicious operetta of many a season, comes to a close, And, incidentally, the company itself will close for the summer soon, which fact seems to have put John Park in the best of humors, for he plays every performance as if he were in a "regular gale." It may not be good form, but it is the best kind of fun for the audience.

Meanwhile, the extra crew ahead of "Kismet" is busy cutting the stage of the Academy all to bits, in order to install the massive production. There is already a tank sunk in the very centre of the stage for the famous murder scene, and it has been filled with water, so that the board sides will swell and tighten by Thursday night, when the engagement begins. "Adele" Again To-Day-Then "Klamet."

EN ROUTE TO VERA CRUZ

Flagship of "Flying Squadron" in Hampton Roads for Coal.

Newport News, Va., April 28 .- The superdreadnought New York, flagship of the recently formed "Flying Squadron," arrived in Hampton Roads this afternoon en route to Vera Cruz. The ship began coaling immediately after dropping anchor, and the work is being rushed in order that she may resume her run to Mexico to-morrow. The New York has a large number of marines aboard. It is said here she will be the first battleship to pass through the Panama Canal.

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ARMY INTRUDES ITSELF INTO ULSTER SITUATION

Another Mutiny Being Kept in Check of Government.

NO ORDERS ISSUED TO CAVALRY Proceed Only When Assured They Will Not Have to Take Offensive.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] London, April 28.—Once more the army has intruded itself into politics, and another Curragh mutiny is only being kept in check by the tact and firmness of the government. Seven thousand troops at Dublin and Curragh camp, which were ordered on Sunday to prepare to move north, still remain immobile, in a sort of passive

Sunday to prepare to move north, still romain immobile, in a sort of passive resistance to superior authority. It is significant that no order has been issued to the cavalry brigade, whose officers proved recalcitrant at the formey crisis. Now the infantry officers have followed their lead. One officer said to-day:

"If we are ordered to lead our men against Ulster we shall do so, but we shall never order them to fire on the Ulstermen unless we are attacked while guarding government property." It is also stated that the officers concerned have announced to their military chiefs that they will only proceed to Ulster when they can be assured that they will not be required to take the offensive against the Ulster volunteers.

The effect of this "ultimatum" has been somewhat discounted, however, by the assurances which have been given to the officers that it was never intended that they should take an offensive attitude unless they were provoked, but only to support the civil authorities in preserving order, and to defend themselves if attacked. It was added:

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Meanwhile, no order has been given for any movement northward. Thus the second "mutiny" has fallen rather flat.

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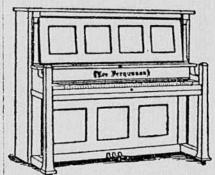
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